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> 1. Austrians in Bolivia are reported to be fearful of the appointment of Herbert Sickinger as Austrian Consul to Bolivia. Letters from Austria to Austrian refugees in Bolivia have stated that the name of Sickinger has been presented to the Austrian Foreign Ministry as a possible candidate for the position. Austrian refugees in Bolivia fear the appointment of Sickinger because they believe him to be under the influence of Julius Deutsch, a former Communist sympathazor in Bolivia who was deported and returned to Austria several months ago. Sickinger and his family were residents in Arica, Chile, in January 1944, but no other information is presently available on him.

2. The name of Dr. Fritz Kalmar has also been advanced for the position of Austrian Consul to Bolivia. Kalmar is known to be anti-Communist and pro-American, and rendered services to the American and British Embassies during the war.

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